



Transition meeting 11st January 2016
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Transition program

P5 children are embarked upon a structured Transition Program.

January: visit of the P5 teachers to the class of the S1 teacher of L1 or/and Mathematics during one of his/her lesson. Open day for parents. Meeting parents P5 + responsible for the transition or cycle coordinator. Visit of the students' representatives of S1 to P5.

After Easter holidays: visit of the P5 students to the Secondary with a personal tutor (a student of S1 of the same linguistic section).

May: visit of the teacher of S1 to the P5 class. Science day (experiments made by S1 students for P5 in the laboratories of Secondary).

June: meeting P5 teacher – Section representatives of the Secondary.

September: meeting teacher primary+class teacher of secondary for transmission of the portfolio and last information about students.

First day of school: S1 students with the class teacher during periods 1-2-3. The class teacher will explain the rules and the organisation of the Secondary. There will also be a tour of the school and this should help to allay fears about the size of the building and about the early orientation.

September: the school organises a trip for all the S1 students (team building).

ORGANISATION

5 Language sections in Secondary: Dutch, English, French, German, Italian.

'SWALS' pupils (Students Without A Language Section) are integrated into the English, French or German language sections but they follow L1 lessons in their mother tongue. L1 lessons for the Swals are when the other students have their L1.

The secondary school is divided into three cycles: S1+S2+S3; S4+S5; S6+S7. A student cannot leave an option within the same cycle, so of you choose Latin in S2 you will to keep it in S3. L3 is for two cycles at least (from S1 to S5). Exception for courses of religion, ethics and Irish ONL only.

Each class has a **principal class teacher** and elected **representatives** of parents and students.

There is an **Educational Advisor** for each year responsible for behavior, absences, lockers...

Lessons start at 8.15 and end at 15.55 (9 periods of 45 minutes each maximum per day). The responsible of the timetable will try to avoid period 9 to the student of S1, but this is not always possible. Half day on Wednesdays (from 8.15 to 12.35).

Number of weekly periods

in S1 33 + 2 periods for students of Irish nationality in the Anglophone section who follow Irish ONL

In S2 33 (35 for students with Latin) + 2 periods for Irish students in the Anglophone who follow Irish ONL

In S3 31 (33 for students with Latin or ICT) + 2 periods for Irish students in the Anglophone who follow Irish ONL

Characteristics of the observation cycle

During the first cycle most of the subjects are compulsory (all compulsory in S1).

Languages

5 periods per week of L1 (4 p from S3)

5 periods of L2 (4 p in S2-S3)

2 periods of L3 (3 p from S2)

2 periods of Latin (option in S2+S3)

Mathematics and Integrated Sciences in L1 (4 periods per week each)

Human sciences (History and Geography) 3 periods in L1 in S1-S2; in L2 from S3

Arts 2 periods

Music 2 periods

Physical Education 3 periods

Information Technology (ICT) is compulsory in S1 and S2 for 1 period per week. It is an option of 2 periods in S3 for the students who had not started Latin in S2

Choice between Religion or Ethics (2 periods) in L1 in S1-S2; in L2 from S3

Irish as O.N.L. only for students of Irish nationality in the English section for 2 periods per week (for more info about Irish as L3 or ONL please contact beartla.deburca@eeb4.eu)

The teaching curricula are created by national experts NOT by the school. They are approved by the Joint Teaching Committee, the only body accredited to approve any amendments or modifications. All curricula are available on the website

<http://www.eursc.eu/index.php?id=137>.

Evaluation in the Observation cycle

The school year is divided into two semesters.

At mid-semester, parents will receive an intermediary school report (bulletin). A report is also sent at the end of each semester, so 4 reports in total.

At the end of each semester, the teacher gives a mark from 0 to 10 which takes into account all aspects of a pupil's work. In S1-S2-S3 pupils do not receive half point.

No B-tests in S1-S2-S3.

At the end of the school year, the teacher gives a mark for 'promotion' into the next class. Promotion into the above class is governed by Article 61 General Rules of the European Schools.

THE CHOICE OF L3 IN S1 (L3 = second foreign language)

- You can choose one of the official languages of the European Union BUT we are able to create a course just when at least 7 pupils have chosen this language.
- L3 in S1 is a course for ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS.
- From S4 it is possible to add a L4 to the student's curriculum. From S5 L5 is also possible as complementary course.
- Exit level (end of S7): B1+ (upper intermediate).
- Size of the groups: minimum 7 students; maximum 28.
- Coordinator of all L3 Mr. Alex.swigg@eeb4.eu



COURSE of L3 in 2015/16	NUMBER OF STUDENTS	TEACHER
L3German	26	Lenssen Louise
L3English	24	Dundon Marianne
L3English	23	McQuiston Marcus
L3Spanish	28	Quiros Angela
L3Spanish	27	Chamorro Andrés
L3French	18	Vanderveken Chloé
L3French	19	Desguin Maité
L3Italian	9	Frosio Roncalli Moris
L3Dutch	24	Bruynooghe Sygrid
L3Dutch	21	Jansen Marieke

Next choice: Latin or ICT in S2-S3?

- In S2 students can add to their curriculum two periods of Latin
- Latin has to be continued in S3 (two periods per week)
- In S3 students with Latin won't be able to study ICT (two periods per week)
- ICT will be proposed again to all the students as an option in S4
- If you need more info for Latin in Dutch, English, German call the coordinator of Latin Mr. Tom Boiy tom.boiy@eeb4.eu
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